

Appl. No. 10/601,607
Atty. Dkt. No. 054707-1225
Response To Final Office Action Dated March 7, 2005

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

I. Disposition of the Claims

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Claims 72-85 were pending in this application. After entering these amendments, claims 72-80 would remain pending.

Claims 1-71 were previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 81-85 are presently canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to pursue disclosed but unclaimed subject matter in one or more continuing applications.

Applicants thank the Office for indicating claims 72-74, 76 and 80 are allowable.

Claims 78-79 stand withdrawn from consideration. Claims 78-79 should be rejoined when the base claim is allowable. See MPEP § 821.04.

Claims 75 and 77 are amended. Applicants amend claims 75 and 77 to omit non-elected subject matter and to incorporate the compounds of Tables I and II. Exemplary support for these amendments can be found, e.g., on pages 28-35 of the application. Applicants note that the symbols "Et" and "Me" simply indicate an ethyl and a methyl, respectfully.

Claim 79 is amended to recite "brain-derived neurotrophic factor," "glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor," "neurotrophin-4 and neurotrophin-5." Exemplary support for these amendments can be found, e.g., on page 36, lines 17-27, of the application.

Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 be entered by the Examiner, thereby placing each claim in condition for allowance.

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Applicants submit that the proposed amendments of claims 75, 77 and 79 do not raise new issues or necessitate the undertaking of any additional search of the art by the Examiner. Furthermore, the present amendments would place the claims in better form for appeal is the rejected claims

In view of the above, this Amendment should allow for immediate action by the Examiner.

II. Conclusion

It is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 CFR § 1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.